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In the course of covering a lead at the Registration Section, Internal Security Division, U. S. Dept. of Justice, to determine if any individuals from the San Francisco area have registered with the Justice Dept. as Agents of the State of Israel, it was learned that the following is a list of individuals or organizations who are registered in this country as Agents for the State of Israel:

| <u>Registered Agent</u> | <u>Registration No.</u> |
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| WILLIAMS P. COLTON CO. 122 E. 42nd St., NY 17, NY | 78 |
| JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE 16 E. 65th St., NY 21, NY | 208 |
| [REDACTED] | 345 |
| ROBERT N. NATHAN ASSOCIATES, INC. #3 Thomas Circle, WDC | 352 |
| GINSBURG, LEVINTHAL AND BROWN 1632 K St., WDC | 540 |
| ISRAEL OFFICE OF INFORMATION 11 E. 70th St., NY, NY | 543 |
| [REDACTED] | 544 |

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| ISRAEL GOVERNMENT TOURIST OFFICE 574 5th Ave., NY, NY | 620 |
| WEIL, GOTTSCHAL AND MARNER 425 13th St., NW, WDC | 765 |
| ISRAEL PHILATELIC AGENCY 115 W. 30th St., NY, NY | 830 |
| [Redacted] | 931 |
| KENDIGE ASSOCIATES 120 E. 56th St., NY 22, NY | 964 |
| [Redacted] | 994 |
| NATHAN LEVIN 156 W. 44th, NY 36, NY | 1031 |
| DAVIE DAVIS BERNACH, INC. 20 W. 43rd St., NY 36, NY | 1066 |

During this investigation at the Registration Section, on 10/6/57, NATHAN LEVIN, Chief of the Registration Section, furnished the following information regarding various organizations whose activities are related to the cause of the State of Israel.

Mr. LEVIN stated that the United Jewish Appeal (UJA) is an organization which has been adjudged to be entitled to "Charitable Exemption" under the Registration Act. It is Mr. LEVIN's understanding that the Jewish National Fund (JNF) is included in UJA and that the Jewish Agency for Palestine, which is registered as an Agent for the State of Israel, administers funds for both the UJA and JNF.

Regarding "Bonds for Israel", LEVIN explained that a ruling had been made that this organization is entitled to "Commercial Exemption" under the Registration Act for the reason that funds raised by this organization are to be used for economic purposes.

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LARVIN pointed out that Israeli Government representatives and military personnel who tour the U. S. for "Bands for Israel" would be required to register with the Justice Dept. if their talks and ~~speeches~~ include any political propaganda. He added that, in his opinion, it would soon prove difficult for these speakers not to interject some political propaganda in their speeches.

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[redacted] IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF ISRAEL BONDS.
It is felt that the Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York Divisions may also have information on [redacted] from unclassified sources and public source material.

In view of the above, it is requested that office executives copies of this letter be alert through informant sources, Confidential Informants, and public source material for information which would indicate that individuals acting in behalf of "Bands for Israel" have been engaged in activities requiring their registration under the Registration Act.

DIRECTOR, FBI

June 18, 1958

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ReWFOlet dated December 13, 1957.

Relet requested that interested offices be alert for public source material which would indicate that Israeli Government representatives and military personnel who toured the United States for "Bonds for Israel" had injected political propaganda in their speeches.

A review of the following magazine and newspaper articles revealed that various Israeli officials had spoken at bond drives in the Chicago area. However, there was no indication that political propaganda was contained in their speeches.

The January 23, 1958, edition of "The Sentinel" revealed that Mrs. MOSHE DAYAN, wife of the Chief of Staff of the Israel Army, would be the featured speaker at a luncheon held by the Women's Division of the Greater Chicago Committee for State of Israel Bonds on January 30, 1958.

The February 27, 1958, edition of "The Sentinel" revealed that Brigadier General DAN TOLKOWSKY, Commander of the Israel Air Force, would be a guest speaker at a dinner to be held by the Combined Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Chicago on March 12, 1958.

The March 12, 1958, edition of the "Chicago Sun Times" also carried an article pertaining to TOLKOWSKY's speech before the Combined Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Chicago.

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The March 13, 1958, edition of "The Sentinel" revealed that MOSHE SHARETT, former Prime Minister of Israel, would speak at a dinner held by the Combined Jewish Appeal on March 19, 1958.

The May 1, 1958, edition of "The Sentinel" revealed that Colonel GIDEON ELROM, Israel Air Force Officer who commanded Israel's first air squadron during their struggle for independence, and Doctor BERNARD CASPER, Dean of Students at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and the former Chaplain of the British-Jewish Brigade during the war in Israel would be the featured speakers at tiefund-raising dinners held by the Combined Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Chicago on May 5 and 6, 1958, respectively.

The May 22, 1958, edition of "The Sentinel" revealed that Colonel SHOSHANA GERSHOM, Commander in Chief of the Women's Corps of the Israel Army, would speak at an Israel bond luncheon at Chicago on May 28, 1958.

In all instances these articles indicated the speakers would talk on items of historical significance in connection with Israel, current progress and conditions in Israel, and other such topics of a general nature.

In view of the above, Chicago will maintain this case in a closed status but will continue to be alert for public source information pertaining to speeches made by Israeli officials in the Chicago area. RUC